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Guernsey's Centenarian.

Mrs. Neeve, the famous Guernsey centenarian, who attained her hundred and fifth birthday recently, is still hale and hearty, but has announced that in future she can only see visitors on her birthday. The old lady still pursues her knitting. She was very disappointed at not receiving a telegram of congratulation from the Queen on May 24, it having been Queen Victoria's custom to send an annual message to her oldest subject in the Channel Isles on the date of Her Majesty's birthday. Mrs. Neeve cherishes the hope that the telegram will still come from Queen Alexandra.

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TOWNS - GAUDAUR RACE

The Plucky Little Australian now Champion of the World.

After holding the world's sculling championship for five years to a day, Jacob G. Gaudaur lost it on Saturday to George Towns, of Australia, the champion of England. On September 7, 1896, he defeated Stansbury in England, and five years later he succumbed to the youth, science and speed of Towns on the course here. The result was an undoubted surprise to all but the few who knew what Towns was really capable of doing. He was considered a good man, for the point was taken that Sullivan, knowing the ability of Gaudaur so well, would not bring over a man whom he did not think would prove at least a worthy opponent, but the general belief was that Sullivan underestimated Jake's condition with the handicap of increasing years. Canadians in general, and Rat Portage people in particular, had a blind faith that their noted sculler could defeat any man who ever sat in a boat. Unprejudiced visitors to Rat Portage last week were tipped so volubly and often on the prowess of the Canadian champion that they began to think that the Australian had no possible chance of winning. This belief became conviction when they saw the two men and made mental comparison of their stalwart Jake and the rather insignificant looking Towns. But the appearance of the English champion in street clothes was most deceptive. Stripped he was a perfect athlete. His weight was only a little over 150, but his muscular development was remarkable. With long and sinewy arms, and a sturdy back, the practical eye at once noted where his skill as an oarsman lay and this was fully realized when he was seen on the water. He rowed a beautiful stroke, a strong stroke, yet he never appeared to be over exerting himself. In Saturday's race he only really exerted his utmost speed and strength in the first minute of the race, when he seemed to fairly fly through the water, and quickly opened up a gap between the shells which was never closed.

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Mr. Galt told the men to make ready and immediately despatched Hackett and Pearce, the judges at the turn, to the mile and a half point.

Then a minute or so later a stalwart figure carrying a racing shell stepped out of the boat house. It was Jake Gaudaur, and what a cheer went up! The spectators at the boat house were the first to see him, but the word quickly spread from mouth to mouth along the shore that "There is Jake," and the echo of the cheer was heard in Keewatin. Jake wore his racing cap of black and red colors, with a red jersey. He looked in good condition, and as he pushed his boat away and started up a fast little sprint around the starting point, there were few but thought, "There is the winner." Sullivan was the next principal to appear on the scene. He carried Town's racing shell, which he deposited in the water with as much care as if it had been the second edition of Moses. Then "Here he comes," and down over the float sprang the agile challenger. He showed as much concern for the important undertaking as if he had been on a practice spin. It was the crowning point of his life. His ambitions were about to be fulfilled, and he was just entering on a race for which he had come thousands of miles, and on which the premier honors of the world depended, yet he smiled to Sullivan and pushed off as coolly as if he was going to give Pearce a brush. He was in superb condition, thanks to the excellence and vigor of his training system. Those who saw him stripped for the first time, marvelled at the play of his muscles, the breadth of his shoulders, and the magnificent muscular development of his small but perfect physique. He was a fit man for a champion, and many who thus saw him began to have their doubts of the outcome, and to wish they had not been putting up their support for the winter at odds that did not appear at all justified as the time approached for the big race.

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ing his silver locks. He had done his best, but had to give way to a younger man. There was nothing to do but to accept the inevitable, and both Gaudaur and the spectators did it in as graceful manner as possible. As Jake stepped out of his shell he was loudly applauded, and if he never rows another race he will bear the remembrance that when he laid down his oars to a younger champion he did so in all honor. Towns was also well greeted. As he stepped from his shell Tom Sullivan caught him and gave him an affectionate hug and hearty handshake. Others crowded around and it was some time before he could gain access to his dressing room.

Gaudaur's great popularity was shown when he left his dressing room for his hotel. He was followed by a crowd which cheered him all the way. He could not have been better treated had he won.

The time for the three miles was slow, 20:32. It is hard to account for this, for both men have done faster work in trials. It was rather cold for fast time, and the wind was rather stiff returning.

STATEMENT BY SULLIVAN.

On being asked whether he had anything to say, Gaudaur briefly replied: "Well, the best man won."

Tom Sullivan made the following statement:

"It was a wonderfully good race to the mile and a half. The race was virtually won there. At the turn I got the signal that towns had practically won, barring accidents, and on the return journey it was merely a question of Gaudaur rowing a good plucky race, with little chance of success, Towns then having the race well in hand. My instructions to Towns were to row the first minute with his best possible speed, for I considered his youth would tell if speed was set. Towns' characteristics as an oarsman are his great generalship and his marvellous staying powers. For his pluck and endurance, he is the best man I ever had under me."

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The referee went over the course shortly before 4 o'clock and when he returned to the club house the men were called out. Pearce was the first to appear with his sculls and he was loudly applauded. He wore a white jersey and blue trunks, but he took off the white at the starting point and rowed in a white and red jersey, his colors. Hackett came out as soon as Pearce had left the float and he received several hearty cheers as he took his seat. He wore the light and dark blue of the Rat Portage Rowing club. Both men paddled slowly out to the starting point beyond Coney Island beach, followed by the Pastime and Hudson's Bay Messenger, with a party on board her. The referee's instructions to the oarsmen were brief but explicit and the race was soon under way.

Both men caught the water at the same instant, Pearce pulling 34 and 35 strokes to the minute and Hackett 33. Both men gradually dropped after the first hundred yards and settled down to hard steady work. Off Coney Island beach Pearce had about half a length the best of it, but Hackett was rowing well within himself and holding his husky opponent down in good shape. When they reached the mile, half a mile from home Pearce had gained a few feet more, and was rowing a beautiful course. It was right here that Hackett lost the race. His old-time weakness, that of rowing out of his course, here showed itself. Jack began to swerve towards Lang's Island and he rowed for some distance, then turned and rowed across the course in an opposite direction. When he finally got straightened away Pearce was over two lengths ahead. Jack put on a spurt but all he could do was to reduce the lead a few feet and Pearce crossed the finishing line a winner by about two lengths.

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DURNAN IS AFTER TOWNS

The Champion Will Not Risk His Honors in America.

Yesterday morning George Towns received a challenge from Eddie Durnan, of Toronto, to row for the championship of America and $500 a side, or for the championship of the world and $1,000 a side, the races to be held on Toronto bay within two weeks; or he would row Towns for the championship of the world in England this fall.

Towns in reply said he would not row for any championships in America, nor did he think he would row again this year at all, unless it was an exhibition race.

Towns says he has been working very hard since early in May, and he feels like letting up now for a time. He would be willing, however, to take on Durnan or any other aspirant for championship honors next year for any amount they wanted to name.

STILL ANOTHER RACE.

While the sculling fever has somewhat abated since the two big races it has not yet run its course and another race has been arranged for six o'clock this evening. Tom Sullivan and Geo. Towns have donated a first prize, Jas. Field a second and W. H. Smith a third for an amateur single scull handicap. Any member of the rowing club is eligible and it is expected that at least half a dozen young men will row.

The race has created a good deal of interest in town, and as the prizes selected will be handsome ones, no doubt it will be keenly contested. The entries will be Phillips, Hooper, Griffis, Scovil, Beaudro, and possibly Young and Rose. The handicaps had not been arranged when we went to press.

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To the victor belongs the spoils, and now that George Towns is the world's champion, he is also the recipient of the best wishes of all those with whom he came in contact, as well as all those who have watched his plucky pursuit of the championship. A son of a sister colony, he won all the rowing honors of his native land before the motherland learned of his prowess. Then under the skillful tuition of the noted Tom Sullivan, an ex-champion himself, the Australian went in search of further honors. He was not long in establishing his right to the title of champion of England, an honor as creditable as it was well deserved, for the tight little island has many men who would fain hold the title. Then came the crowning ambition to win the blue ribbon of aquatic sport, the world's sculling championship, held by the Canadian, Jake Gaudaur. Preparations were made by the challengers and finally after the usual preliminaries the race was made, Gaudaur being only too willing to defend the title which had only once been disputed while he held it.

Saturday dawned cold and rather cheerless. A raw nor'wester rippled the surface of the water, but after the winds of the previous days the surface was comparatively smooth and preparations were immediately made to start the race. About ten o'clock Referee Galt and a few others boarded the Clipper and started over the course. It was found that the water was in proper condition for rowing, and the referee at once decided that the much-delayed event would take place immediately.

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THE TURN.

Towns made a beautiful turn in his shorter boat, and got away fully five lengths ahead of Jake, and it soon became evident that the championship was lost to Canada, for rowing easily Towns had no difficulty in maintaining the lead. He rowed 28 to the minute. Off Lang's Point Jake hit off to 32, and managed to reduce the lead to about two lengths, but it was no use. Towns again pulled away and the spectators who crowded every available point of vantage at the finish were disappointed to see Jake had no possibility of catching his man. Towns finished strong with about two lengths and a half to the good.

AFTER THE RACE.

As the plucky Australian pulled over the finishing line the spectators recovered from their deep shock of surprise and gave him a handsome reception. But it was left to his gentlemanly opponent to do the graceful. Pulling up alongside of his rival's shell, Gaudaur grasped Towns by the hand, and murmured some words of congratulation. Then in response to the repeated cheers of the crowd the vanquished oarsman doffed his cap, show-

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Sullivan and his friends have been invited to go to Winnipeg and they will likely go Wednesday or Thursday. A splendid entertainment has been promised them in the Prairie City, and no doubt it will be fully carried out.

RAT PORTAGE DOWN AGAIN

Pearce Defeated Hackett Yesterday by Two Boat Lengths.

Yesterday's sculling race between Harry Pearce, of Australia, and Jack Hackett, of town, was won quite handily by the antipodean, but proved almost as big a surprise as did the defeat of Gaudaur by Towns on Saturday. Hackett was the favorite right up to the start, chiefly because he had beaten some good men in his career and Pearce had never rowed a race of any consequence. Hackett was undoubtedly beaten by his bad steering as he held his man down well until he began to swerve from his course.

The day was an ideal one for a race, the sun shining brightly from a perfectly clear sky and the water having just enough ripple upon it to make it fast. All the the conditions were perfect and both men were trained to a turn.

Mr. W. J. Moran was referee; Mr. W. A. Weir, judge at finish; Mr. Geo. Drewry, time-keeper. Mr. J. A. McCrossan's steam launch, "Pastime" carried the referee and party, which included amongst others Geo. Towns, the new champion, Tom Sullivan, Jake Gaudaur, Mrs. Gaudaur, Dr. Schnarr, and Pearce crossed the finishing line a winner by about two lengths.

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Jake Gaudaur fancies Pearce's style of rowing and believes he can give Towns a good race for three miles.

A Graceful Act.

One of the most graceful incidents in connection with the big race was the hospitality extended by Mr. and Mrs. Gaudaur to Towns and his friends at the Russell House last evening. A sumptuous repast was served in the dining room and beside the foreigners a number of Jake's most intimate friends sat down. The supper and the speeches which followed emphasized most forcible the friendly feeling that has existed between the present champion and the ex-champion and Town's friends and Jake's supporters. The evening was one long to be remembered by those present and the foreigners say they will treasure it among their most pleasant recollections of their trip to Canada. Towns and his party deserve all they are getting, for they are true sportsmen in every sense of the word.

PRESIDENT McKINLEY'S CONDITION

The condition of President McKinley has greatly improved since Sunday and while he is not yet out of danger, he is in a fair way to recovery. His friends, who were summoned when he was shot, are preparing to return to their homes. The would-be assassin, whose name is Czolgosz, has made a statement of his movements, and says he was moved to the desperate deed by listening to a lecture delivered by the notorious Emma Goldman.

Miss Hatty and Miss Mabel Hodgins, of Winnipeg, who have been holidaying here the past week returned home Monday

Rev. Mr. Rochester, pastor of Knox church, will return from the east tomorrow morning.

Judge Chapple and family have returned from a two months holiday trip in the east.

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Yearly [illegible] re-engage[illegible] veloped me[illegible] The ore now [illegible] rich and the [illegible] Reduction Co. [illegible] one of the best [illegible] Mr. Guess, who [illegible] the company's bus[illegible] and at Keewatin, has [illegible] a more lucrative posit[illegible] His successor has not [illegible] pointed.

Mr. Brodie, of Beaver Mills, [illegible] in town the past few days.

Oil for the Children

Give them oil—cod-liver [illegible]

It's curious to see the [illegible]

Give it to the peev[illegible] ful child, and he lau[illegible] it to the pale, an[illegible] and his face becom[illegible] full of health[illegible] chested child, [illegible] has stopped gro[illegible] the oil, and [illegible] and strong li[illegible]

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A play called "Pork Kings or Uncle Sam" has been suppressed in Havana, because it was a travesty on the United States. After the kindly offices of the United States in the late war, one would think the play would be so unpopular with the Cubans that it would suppress itself.

Some small fortunes were made when there was a sudden rise in Canadian Pacific Railway stocks during the New York Stock Exchange vagaries, but the most rapid rise the C.P.R. stocks has ever had was woman's work. A Philadelphia lady is under arrest in London for raising a C. P. R. stock certificate from $2,500 to $500,000.

Hon. Mr. Barton, Premier of Australia, well represent the Commonwealth at the Coronation of King Edward. He discuss with the representatives of Canada present the question of closer trade relations between Australia and Canada. He is said to favor the establishment of rapid sea communication.

Hon. J. R. Strattan, Provincial Secretary, and Hon. J. M. Gibson, Attorney-General of Ontario, are expected here next Tuesday to deliver addresses on the political situation. This will be the opening of the campaign, which we may expect to be more or less active from now to the indefinite date of the elections. They will go up the river, accompanied by Mr. Conmee, to try and disabuse the people of the favorable impression made by Dr. Smellie, the Conservative candidate.

The province of Nova Scotia, as it seems, provides a sick and accident fund for coal miners, or their families, in the case of the death of their bread-winner out of the repective 10 and 12½ per cent. royalties which are levied on output. The provision is made by means of a small portion of the royalty, which the Sydney "Post" states as three-tenths of one per cent. The remainder of the royalty is applied to general Provincial purposes.

$10 and $20 greenbacks are not infrequent tender on this side of the international line, but it would pay those [illegible] to look

ARMORER SERGT. SCOTT.

Soldier Who Has Twice Been Second for the Queen's Prize at Bisley.

Among those who were shooting at the Bisley meeting just closed was Armorer Sergt. Scott. He has twice been second for the Queen's Prize at Bisley, a feat beaten only by Private Ward of the 1st Devons, and Angus Cameron of Kingussie, who have won the prize itself twice. Sergt. Scott was in South Africa with the King's Own Scottish Borderers, and is credited with marching 1,300 miles in the same pair of boots. He recently won the Caledonian Shield at Edinburgh. Asked what he thought of Boer marksmanship, the sergeant is reported to have replied, with something of a scornful laugh, that they couldn't shoot at all, otherwise none of the British would have been left alive, and he professed a firm predilection for the Lee-Enfield as compared with the Mauser. When at Kroonstad he was very nearly having a friendly match with a Boer champion shot, who was a prisoner at the British headquarters. This Boer captive offered to try conclusions with the best shot in the British army, and Lord Roberts, aware of Scott's presence in the host, suggested the pitting of this Scottish David against the Afrikander Goliath. The Melrose blacksmith expressed his readiness to take up the Boer gage of battle, and at once set to work to extemporize something like an orthoptic sight from the bottom of an empty meat tin, which he still has with him. But at the last moment the Boer Goliath recoiled from the contest, and thus deprived both armies of the expected trial of skill. It was Scott who turned out the guard at Pretoria to do honors to Sir Redvers Buller on his arrival there. The Melrose marksman—who is a very shrewd observer and logician—mentioned two things which led him to the clear conclusion that the Boers had begun to arm with a vengeance before the Jameson Raid. One of these things was the fact that he picked up and has now in his possession the case of a Krupp shell marked "1895, Berndorf." The other was the circumstance that when he visited the Staats Artillery Barracks at Pretoria he found the cement flooring all pretty deeply dented with the marks of thousands of shells. These dents were conclusive proof that the shells had been stored there before the floor cement had become thoroughly dry, or, in other words, as soon as the barracks were completed, which he believes to have been the case before the Jameson Raid.

The Danger of Tips.

This readiness of the public to swallow "tips" is certainly one of the strangest phenomena that an age of scepticism can show. "An honest man and of good judgment," wrote jeering Rabelais, "believeth still what is told him, and that which he finds written." And in spite of some centuries of bitter experience honesty seems to be in the same parlous plight. Does it ever occur to those who follow journalistic tips that they are written by men who find it worth their while to follow an arduous and moderately remunerated profession, and that therefore the tipster obviously cannot trust to his tips for a livelihood? Is it conceivable that any one whose judgment of the movement of securities was sufficiently trustworthy to make even the majority of his shots bull's-eyes would waste his time by compiling paragraphs for newspapers? Would he not rather spend half an

FOR ENGLAND.

Of all great deaths on English ground,
  thine most,
Simon de Montfort, doth my spirit stir.
Thou fought'st for England, and thou
  died'st for her,
Thyself of other race, from outland coast,
Law's mandatory and Freedom's, thou thy
  host
Did'st hurl against a sceptred law-breaker;
Nor didst thou blench when Fate in plume
  and spur
On Evesham field swept like a hungry
  ghost.
Then for their lives thou bad'st thy nobles
  fly.
"Thou dying, we would not live," they
  made reply,
And dauntless round thy dauntlessness
  were mown.
And thou, with wrath that hewed its way
  on high,
Fell'st fighting the steep fight of Liberty,
In a crashing forest of the foe, alone.
—William Watson.

HIS OWN QUOTATION.

Dramatic Scene in the Church of a "Popular Preacher."

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It happened, however, that the doctor was detected in his literary larcenies. One Sunday a grave old gentleman seated himself close to the pulpit and listened with profound attention. The doctor had scarcely finished his third sentence before the old gentleman said loud enough to be heard by those near him, "That's Sherlock."

The doctor frowned, but went on. He had not proceeded much further when his grave auditor broke out with "That's Tillotson." The doctor bit his lips and paused, but again went on. At a third exclamation of "That's Blair" the doctor lost all patience, and, leaning over the side of the pulpit, he cried, "Sir, if you don't hold your tongue you shall be turned out."

Without altering a muscle the old cynic looking the doctor full in the face, said, "That's his own."—London Tit-Bits.

Queen Victoria's Drawings.

Very few drawings by Queen Victoria have hitherto been made public, but sketching was a favorite amusement with Her Majesty in [illegible] days of youth. Fifteen [illegible] which she made as a present to [illegible] Edwin Landseer have lately [illegible] into the possession of a [illegible] London editor, who will [illegible] published by p[illegible]

Some of the [illegible] were original, others were copies of Landseer's pictures, but [illegible] will [illegible] entirely new to [illegible] pu[illegible]

A rather curious story [illegible] to these pictures. They [illegible] by the Prince Consort in [illegible] man who looked after [illegible] press at Windsor Castle [illegible] of the etchings and offered [illegible] publisher. The Prince Consort protested vigorously against [illegible] publication, saying [illegible] drawings had been made only for [illegible] himself and the Queen, and were not intended for the public.

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A GIANT HUMILITY.

Characterizes the Forms of Prayer Used in the British House of Commons —Curious Information.

In the British House of Commons the other day an Irish member asked the leader of the House who was responsible for the form of prayer read in the House. Mr. Balfour was unable to satisfy the hon. member's curiosity at the moment. But the researches of the [illegible] of "Hansard" have produced an answer and incidentally [illegible] interesting information. The first reference to prayer in the journals of the House is in 1603, but Sir [illegible] D'Ewes in his journal of Queen Elizabeth's Parliament [illegible] of the Parliament of 1[illegible]7 says: "It hath been the custom of these later Protestant Parliaments for the Speaker to compose a prayer, to be read by him every morning during the session; accordingly the Speaker made and read the following. We most entirely beseech Thee [illegible] [illegible] all our [illegible] Son Jesus Christ, it would please Thee by [illegible] brightness [illegible] to expel darkness and vanity from our minds, and partiality from our speeches, and grant unto us such wisdom and integrity of heart as becometh the servants of Jesus Christ. The subjects of a gracious Prince and members of the honorable House, let us not, Oh Lord, [illegible] [illegible] for the public [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] We are in our own pri[illegible] [illegible] The prayer alluded to [illegible] [illegible] entry in the Commons

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The province of Nova Scotia, as it seems, provides a sick and accident fund for coal miners, or their families, in the case of the death of their bread-winner out of the repective 10 and 12½ per cent, royalties which are levied on output. The provision is made by means of a small portion of the royalty, which the Sydney "Post" states as three-tenths of one per cent. The remainder of the royalty is applied to general Provincial purposes.

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...words, as soon as the ... were completed, which he believes to have been the case before the Jameson Raid.

The Danger of Tips.

This readiness of the public to swallow "tips" is certainly one of the strangest phenomena that an age of scepticism can show. "An honest man and of good judgment," wrote jeering Rabelais, "believeth still what is told him, and that which he finds written." And in spite of some centuries of bitter experience honesty seems to be in the same parlous plight. Does it ever occur to those who follow journalistic tips that they are written by men who find it worth their while to follow an arduous and moderately remunerated profession, and that therefore the tipster obviously cannot trust to his tips for a livelihood? Is it conceivable that any one whose judgment of the movement of securities was sufficiently trustworthy to make even the majority of his shots bull's-eyes would waste his time by compiling paragraphs for newspapers? Would he not rather spend half an hour or so in the morning at the end of a telephone instructing his broker to buy and sell, and devote the rest of his day to the graceful consumption of the boundless fortune that his knowledge and acumen would, ex hypothesi, inevitably provide? And tips from stock brokers come under the same suspicion; for it is not reasonable to suppose that one who really had tips worth following in his possession would utilize them as baits for clients, who reward his efforts with a beggarly half-crown per cent.

The Australian Senate.

The Senate problem has already appeared in the Australian Commonwealth. A serious question arose recently between the Federal Government and the Senators, the latter strongly objecting to the form in which the first supply bill was sent to them. The bill only mentioned the lump sum required, omitting the details supplied to the House of Representatives. The constitution gives the Senate the right of suggesting by a message to the House of Representatives amendments or omissions in appropriation bills, and the Senators insisted that the absence of details deprived the Senate of the opportunity of exercising this right. A heated debate ensued, in the course of which some Senators accused the Government of intentionally flouting and insulting the Senate, but the majority favored the view that a mistake had inadvertently been made, so the bill was simply returned, with a request for details.

Wanted the Experience.

At the recent meeting of a London nursing association Canon Erskine Clarke told a story to illustrate his observation that one of the joys of childhood is to like many things that grown up people dislike. "I knew," he said, "a small boy who was found by the nurse sitting in the middle of a crowded street in Battersea and who said in answer to her inquiries, 'Please, I'm waiting to be run over.' That boy had heard of the delights of being in hospital.

Telephony for Pleasure.

The telephone wire in the immediate future is to be used not only for business purposes, but for pleasure. The London Electrophone Company are going to reduce their annual charge from £10 to 50s., and also their service rates, and they offer every telephone subscriber the advantage of their electrophone, which will enable subscribers to sit at home and listen to anything from a sermon to a music hall song

Very few drawings by Queen Victoria have hitherto been made public, but sketching was a favorite amusement with Her Majesty in her days of youth. Fifteen drawings which she made as a present to Sir Edwin Landseer have lately come into the possession of a well-known London editor, and will shortly be published by permission of the King. Some of the sketches were original, others were copies of Landseer's pictures, but they will all be entirely new to the public.

A rather curious story appertains to these pictures. They were etched by the Prince Consort in 1858. The man who looked after the etching press at Windsor Castle stole a copy of the etchings and offered them to a publisher. The Prince Consort protested vigorously against their publication, saying the drawings had been made only for the amusement of himself and the Queen, and were not intended for the public eye.

But there is no objection at this distance of time. The King has graciously given his consent as to the reproduction of a drawing which he made in his youth to benefit a charity.

Meaning of "Pin Money."

"Pin money" now means the allowance of money for a woman's own personal expenditure, but originally meant literally the actual sum spent on pins.

It is almost impossible to think of any stage in the history of womankind when the pin was not one of the mainstays of her experience, but until about the end of the seventeenth century an article more resembling a wooden skewer than anything else was all that could be obtained.

After that time the modern pin was invented, but the maker was allowed to sell pins openly only on Jan. 1 and 2, so that court ladies and fashionable dames alike were obliged to buy a large store on those days. So extremely important was this yearly purchase that apparently a special sum of money was obtained from all indulgent husbands for it, and at a later time, when the pins became cheap and common, womankind gradually came to spend their allowance on other vanities, but the old name, "pin money," remained in use.

It Is a Curious Title.

Hastings the other day was the scene of a most picturesque old-time ceremonial. The Brotherhood and Guestling Court, which curious title is given to the Council of the Cinque Ports, met there, for the first time since 1660, to take steps to assert the ancient right of barons ... of the ports to take part in the coronation. The privilege was recognized in ancient days when the Cinque Ports—Hastings, Romney, Hythe, Dover and Sandwich constituted an important factor in national defence, but the claim which is now made was allowed to lapse at the coronations of Victoria and William IV. The usual number of barons at the coronation is 32, and they are empowered to carry a canopy over the head of the King and Queen, and possess the right of putting on their caps as soon as the King is crowned.

How the World Lives.

Of the entire human race it is estimated that 500,000,000 are well clothed — that they wear garments of some kind; 250,000,000 habitually go naked, and 700,000,000 only cover parts of their body. Five hundred millions live in houses, 700,000,000 in huts and caves and 250,000,000 have virtually no shelter at all.

...incidentally supplied some interesting information. The first reference to prayer in the journals of the House is in 1603, but Sir Simon D. Ewes, in his journal of Queen Elizabeth's Parliament, writing of the Parliament of 1577, says: "It hath been the custom of these later Protestant Parliaments for the Speaker to compose a prayer, to be read by him every morning during the session, accordingly the Speaker made and read the following: We most entirely beseech Thee, that pardoning all our sins in the blood of Thy Son Jesus Christ, it would please Thee by the brightness of Thy Spirit to expel darkness and vanity from our minds, and partiality from our speeches, and grant unto us such wisdom and integrity of heart as becometh the servants of Jesus Christ, the subjects of a gracious Prince and members of this honorable House, let us not, Oh Lord, who are met together for the public good of the whole land, be more careless and remiss than we are in our own private causes." The prayer alluded to in the entry in the Commons journal of 1603 beseeches the Almighty, "because our hearts by nature are not fit for good cogitations, create a new heart and renew a right spirit in us, remove far from us all vainglorious Humour of commanding our own wit, all covetous Humour of advancing our private profit, all envious Humour of disgracing other men's gifts, all malicious Humour of hurting any man's person, and, finally, all forward Humour of opposing ourselves against just, needful and Godly things by whosoever propounded." There is a giant humility and directness about some of these exercises which might recommend them to some cisatlantic legislative bodies with which we are familiar.

Battle Abbey for Sale.

The new proprietor of Battle Abbey, where the late Duchess of Cleveland resided, has decided to sell the property, and it will be put into the market in the autumn. The ruins of the Abbey, which was erected in celebration of the Norman victory, are yearly visited by thousands of persons, and it is a question, at least, whether this portion of the estate ought not to be purchased for the nation.—Birmingham Gazette.

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The Daily Graphic says: There died at Guildford the other week a man of whom the following remarkable story is told: His name was James Outterson Pratt, and it is said that about forty-five years ago he purchased the site on which the town of Johannesburg now stands for the sum of £350. For several years before his death Pratt was an inmate of the infirmary of Guildford Union Workhouse. He was born in 1833, and was the son of a barrister. Shortly after Pratt's birth his father succeeded to a life interest in some estates in Northumberland, and at the age of thirteen Pratt was sent to the East India Company's Naval College at Finchley. Later he went and saw fighting against Malay pirates. He was made a Lieutenant at 21. Owing to illness he obtained leave of absence, during which he served with Sir Robert Lakeman's levies in the Kaffir war in 1852-53, receiving a medal. When the Crimean war broke out he served with the Naval Brigade before Sebastopol, being severely wounded by the bursting of a shell. His left leg was shattered, and his left arm, collar-bone, and three ribs were broken, the second finger of his right hand being also shot away, and a severe wound inflicted on his head. After a careful nursing Pratt recovered sufficiently to proceed to India, where, it is stated, he saw fighting during the Mutiny. For distinguished service with the Calcutta Naval Brigade, which got the name of "Pratt's Own," he was rewarded, and after the quelling of the Mutiny he is said to have been appointed Resident Magistrate of one of the districts in the Bombay Presidency. He afterwards married a niece of Sir William Claytor, Bart., and five years later sent his wife to England for the purpose of having their two daughters educated, but the ship they went by (the Madeira) was wrecked off Cape Coast, and all on board perished. Pratt was shortly afterwards invalided home, but as his condition was so critical he was landed at Cape Town, and for nearly two years he was practically insane. During that time some one reported him as dead to the authorities, and, consequently when the East India Company's affairs were taken over by the Government his name was struck off the list of persons entitled to pensions. Notwithstanding frequent representations his claims were repudiated.

Later on he started sheep farming at Rondebosch, and made coast surveys for the Cape Government. A geologist who was prospecting in the Transvaal advised Pratt to buy a piece of country near the Limpopo River, bounded by the Witwatersrand on one side. Johannesburg now stands on the site. It was nearly 18,000 acres in extent, and for it Pratt paid £350, and settled down as a farmer. When the Zulu war broke out he, with some volunteers, served under Lord Chelmsford.

HIS BROGUE BETRAYED HIM.

Lord Ranfurly Might Have Been Mistaken for a Yorkshireman.

One of the most popular officials in the British colonial service is the Earl of Ranfurly, Governor of New Zealand. He has served his four years' term, but there is talk of a special reappointment. Lord Ranfurly had already gone through a unique colonial experience before he joined the service of Downing street. Some years ago he was attracted to Victoria after the "irrigation colonies" had been started along the Murray River, and invested money in a fruit-growing estate at Mildura. There he worked early and late until he turned a patch of wilderness into a smiling series of orchards. It was all pleasant and interesting, but it did not prove profitable, and the Earl returned home. The Governorship of New Zealand suited him admirably, and it is not surprising that he had made a great success there.

Some time ago the Yorkshiremen, discovering on counting heads that they were a strong body in Maoriland, decided—British fashion—to have a Yorkshire dinner, and they naturally asked the Governor to preside at the function. When it came to thinking about the speechifying Lord Ranfurly found himself somewhat in a hole. To talk about the colony's progress and prospects would be simply bathos in the ears of these old and seasoned colonists, and the Governor shrewdly decided to "talk horse." A sport-loving Irishman may be trusted to know something about a horse, and the Governor warmed the hearts of his admiring audience before he sat down. "Eh, man," observed one to another at the table, "yon lad knows summat. Ef it hadn't been for his brogue Aw should ha' said hen'd been born i' Yarkshire."

Cries in Parliament.

Applause in the House of Commons is strictly governed by precedent and practice. "Hear" is the only token of approval permitted, and that repeated over and over again by a couple of hundred members produces the phenomenon known as "loud and prolonged cheers." In a new Parliament it generally happens that inexperienced members forget themselves and clap their hands. This has happened twice already since the House met. On the first occasion the Speaker called attention to the matter, but the other night when a Tory member paid Mr. Winston Churchill this absent-minded compliment, it escaped his attention. Sometimes strangers offend in this matter—to them, of course, all applause is forbidden—and are promptly shown the door. The only occasion one remembers when a stranger who clapped his hands was not removed was when Mr. Gladstone introduced his first Home Rule bill. At the end of the great speech a young gentleman sitting in the front of the gallery vigorously applauded, and the doorkeeper pretended not to hear. It was the late Duke of Clarence.

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ENGLAND'S NEW LOOM.

Weaver Crossley's Invention Will Revolutionize the Industry, Perhaps—A Partial Description.

If all is realized that is promised on behalf of the patent for a new automatic weaving loom bought up by a British syndicate, then the cotton trade of Lancashire—or that part of it concerned with weaving—is on the eve of brighter and most important developments.

Only a few days ago the Secretary of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce referred to a patent of the kind perfected in the United States, but the patent purchased by this British syndicate, and already sought after by a number of employers, is claimed to be superior to any yet invented.

It is pointed out by Mr. Richard Marsden, consulting examiner to the City and Guilds of London Institute, and editor of The Textile Mercury, that by its application the weaver who now attends to four looms can easily attend to eight, and that, on the assumption that he earns 5s per loom, he will now earn £2 per week for attending to the looms. Moreover, as each loom, by the obviating of stoppages, will produce 12½ per cent. more cloth, the eight looms will bring the weaver's earnings up to £2 5s, as against £1, although it will be clear that some of the increase will go to benefit the employer and the consumer.

"This patent," said Mr. Marsden the other day to a Daily Mail representative, "is the invention of a young Brunley weaver, named Bernard Crossley. It is capable of attachment, at a comparatively small cost, to existing single-box looms. There are 850,000 power looms in this country. Out of this number Crossley's invention will be capable of being applied to 600,000.

"Among the competitors for the favor of the trade the Crossley loom, in my estimation, stands first because of its adaptability to existing looms, the simplicity of its mechanism, the speed at which it can be run, and the rapidity with which it effects the shuttle changes.

"There is no commercial limit to the speed of the loom of that adjustment. Assuming that a loom is working at 200 picks per minute, which is a good average rate, this loom, without any pause in its action, changes the shuttle in one four-hundredth part of a minute—that is, half a revolution of the first shaft.

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FAMOUS KISSES.

How the Pope's Toe Came to Be Kissed—When Queen Victoria Kissed Napoleon on the Cheek

It was the kiss of a woman that instituted the custom of kissing the Pope's toe. Until the close of the eighth century it was usual for pilgrims of both sexes to kiss the Pope's hand, but one female, bolder than the rest, when kissing His Holiness' hand, gave it a severe squeeze. To save himself from contamination the Pope cut off his hand, and it is still preserved in the museum at Rome. From that time forward every holder of the office has received the homage of pilgrims through the medium of his slippered foot.

The great Cardinal Theodoli was once robbed through the kiss of a traitorous brigand. He was captured by the brigand while walking alone and carried to a mountain retreat. Two thousand pounds was the sum demanded and paid for his ransom, and when giving him his freedom the brigand asked if he might kiss his hand. The request was granted, and not until he had reached home in safety did the cardinal discover that during the process the brigand had stolen his ring set with a large ruby of priceless value. Two years afterward, however, the brigand, repenting of the deed, returned the ring undamaged.

The compact of friendship between England and France was sealed at the close of the Crimean war, when Queen Victoria during a visit to France publicly kissed Napoleon III. on the cheek. This incident created more good feeling between the two nations than perhaps any more important event of the century.

There are two kisses which Mme. Patti will never forget. The first occurred many years ago in Paris at a matinee she had arranged for the benefit of a poor and then almost unknown actress, Sarah Bernhardt, who had lost everything she possessed in a fire. After the performance the now famous actress came forward, and with tears in her eyes threw her arms about the prima donna's neck and kissed her.

On the second occasion she had been singing before the Spanish court, and the baby King, Alfonso, was brought to her in the arms of his nurse. Mme. Patti kissed his hand, but the Queen Regent interferred, saying, "My son shall never be so ungallant as to allow a lady to kiss his hand. Prey permit him to give you a kiss," which the child obediently did.

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A stairway reaching up to God.

JOKES OF THE DAY.

Unanswerable — Young Impecunious Swell (rather proud of his figure, and anxious to produce a great effect at forthcoming county ball — to tailor) — I say, my friend, do me a great favor; let me have this new suit by the end of the week, and I shall be for ever and ever indebted to you. Tailor — Thank you much sir; but I think on consideration, I should prefer a cheque down, even under a slight discount.—Punch.

"I have noticed that my wife becomes more amorous as the hours grow old." "Really!" "Oh, yes. Called me a pretty beauty when I came to bed this morning."—Judy.

City Note. — As a rule going in for "specs" is a very short-sighted policy. — Punch.

"Women are all a sham." "I don't deny it." "Clever women spend half their time making up their minds, frivolous women making up their bodies."—Judy.

He had tried it.—Hix — Do you consider it wrong to cheat a lawyer? Dix — Well, it may not be wrong, but it's impossible. — Sketchy Bits.

Thankful.—Big Pat (who has fallen off roof, in faint, hoarse whisper) — Thank 'evings! I don't believe its broke, Mick — Phat, yer head? Pat —No: the bottle o' whiskey in me trousis pocket. —Halfpenny Comic.

Undesirable — Gent — Yes, I certainly advertised for a valet, but you're as old as the hills. Applicant —Well, sir, begging your pardon, ain't valleys always as old as the hills?—Coloured Comic.

"Are you willing to share honest poverty with me, darling?" "I'm sorry, Mr. Nocash, but I have already promised to share Mr. Millyun's wealth, and no questions asked."—Comic Cuts.

Cheap at The Price. — Wife (after violent quarrel) — I'll have the last word, though I should die for it. Husband (quietly) — You can have it, my dear, on those terms, and welcome. — Funny Cuts.

He Did Not Buy That Book!— He —Women are like books: they are only interesting till they have been read through. She — You seem only to read books out of the library.—Larks.

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shed. Pratt was shortly afterwards invalided home, but as his condition was so critical he was landed at Cape Town, and for nearly two years he was practically insane. During that time some one reported him as dead to the authorities, and consequently when the East India Company's affairs were taken over by the Government his name was struck off the list of persons entitled to pensions. Notwithstanding frequent representations his claims were repudiated.

Later on he started sheep farming at Rondebosch, and made coast surveys for the Cape Government. A colleague who was prospecting in the Transvaal advised Pratt to buy a piece of country near the Limpopo River, bounded by the Witwatersrand on one side. Johannesburg now stands on the site. It was nearly 18,000 acres in extent, and for it Pratt paid £350, and settled down as a farmer. When the Zulu war broke out he, with some volunteers, served under Lord Chelmsford. Later, in the Boer revolt of 1881, he raised 600 volunteers and joined the military force in Pretoria. When the Transvaal Republic was proclaimed Mr. Kruger offered Pratt service under the republic, but he declined, saying that he had always been an Englishman, and meant to die one. He refused to take the oath of allegiance, and his property was confiscated and he himself escorted across the border. When he returned to England he found his relatives dead, while the War and India Office authorities refused to recognize him, he being registered as dead for seven years. This shock to an old man brought on paralysis, from which Pratt never recovered, and afterwards, his private means becoming exhausted, he was obliged to enter Guildford Workhouse. Recently Pratt's case was brought to Mr. Chamberlain's notice, and the Colonial Secretary forwarded the papers connected with the case to the High Commissioner a few months ago, but Sir Alfred Milner's reply had not been received when Pratt died.

Daring of English Sparrows.

English sparrows are the most daring little robbers in the world. I have often watched them steal the food from other birds, but until a few days ago I never thought they would be so bold. In the White House grounds are a large number of very large blackbirds, said a guide talking of what he saw to a British visitor to Washington. When the ground is wet these birds dig worms out of holes with their long bills. The sparrow cannot do this because of his short bill. The other day I saw one of the White House blackbirds industriously at work digging into the ground for a worm. Not far away from him, and intently watching the operation, was a saucy little sparrow. All at once the sparrow darted toward the blackbird, there was a short scrimmage and the sparrow flew away with the worm in its mouth. The little robber deliberately watched the bird pull the worm out of the hole and then stolen it from the bird. It seemed too surprising to know what to do. I have watched the sparrows on occasions.

Trades.

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Old English Tavern Customs.

The custom of naming different rooms is familiar to all who have read our Elizabethan writers. Who does not at once recall those immortal scenes in the Boar's Head in which this magnificent old scoundrel Jack Falstaff plays so prominent a part—how the madcap prince and companion Poins so sadly perplexed the unfortunate Francis with his everlasting "Anon, anon, sir," and his interjected orders to "look down into the Pomegranate?" It was customary, it seems, to have small windows or loopholes between the various apartments, for what reason it were perhaps hard to say unless to facilitate the interchange of compliments customary between parties who were using different chambers in the same tavern.

These courtesies usually took the form of the present of a piece of sugar wrapped up in white paper, which the waiters kept ready at hand. Our forefathers were fond of correcting the acidity of their wine by this addition, and it was quite the correct thing to send by the drawer one of these packets to the neighboring apartments if any friends or acquaintances were there. —Chambers' Journal.

Australia and Defence.

Australia's new Defence Act declares that in case of war all inhabitants between the ages of 18 and 60 who are British subjects and who have been residents in the colony for six months are liable to compulsory military service. Exceptions are made however, for members of Parliament, judges, magistrates, officials, ministers of religion, staffs of hospitals, asylums, jails, and the only sons of widows. It is estimated that under this law 970,000 men will be available for service. Australia is evidently determined to take no chances. But it is a mistake to suppose that the law creates an army of nearly a million. It merely says who may be forced to serve. Canada has the same law in principle, but the volunteer system would render compulsion unnecessary.

The Escaped Sea Lions

The second of the sea lions which escaped from the lower grounds, New Brighton, has been caught in the River Wyre, near Blackpool. The head keeper took the animal back to its proper quarters. The sea lion was much exhausted by rough weather.

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Two immense rectangular oriental vases over four feet high stand on the floor of one of the rooms, and have the comparatively narrow medallioned necks and lids with which cheap modern Raga specimens have made us all familiar. They are of rich dark blue, pencil gilt, and the small medallions and large panels are all white and most gracefully painted with flowers, and in one central panel with the bit of wall indicated in the common willow pattern. A couple of large vases of the tear bottle shape are also of this rich blue, trellised with gold and with white panels on the round part painted with flowers. There are also some fine examples of green crackled celadon, the old eastern kind, in which a pale sea green color was mixed with the paste before firing and very different from any colorings put on the surface afterward.

Prince a Weary Walker.

Appearances are often deceitful, and even monarchs may be mistaken for paupers, relates a London correspondent. It is related that once not long since, when King Edward of England was Prince of Wales, he was staying with Leopold Rothschild near Leighton Buzzard, and followed the hunt one day. About lunch time he found himself alone near Berkhamsted, feeling very hungry, and without immediate prospect of getting any food. Recollecting, however, that the Smith-Dorrien's place, Haresfoot, was somewhere within easy reach, he rode over, found the house, and rang the front door-bell. A footman appeared.

"Would you kindly tell your master that the Prince of Wales is outside and would like some lunch?" he said.

"Walker!" answered the man, and banged the door in his face.

A Day of Literature

In an English blue book recently issued an inspector complains that many of the reading books used in elementary schools contain words and phrases far beyond the child's comprehension. "I found a boy," he says, "in a good school reading, 'And now another day of literature began to dawn upon the country.' I could not resist asking him the length of that day, when I got the answer, 'Twenty-four hours.'"

Nearly 105 Years of Age.

The death took place at Bath recently of Mrs. Priest, at the age of 104 years and 10 months. She had ten children, of whom three sons served in the Crimean war, and there are living thirty-four grandchildren and nearly a dozen great-grandchildren.

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Longevity in Warm Climates.

A medical authority has discovered that more people over 100 years old are found in mild climates than in the higher latitudes. According to the last census of the German Empire, of a population of 55,000,000 only 78 had passed the hundredth year, France, with a population of 40,000,000, has 213 centenarians. In England there are 146; in Ireland, 578, and in Scotland, 46. Sweden has 10, and Norway 23; Belgium, 5; Denmark, 2; Switzerland, none. Spain, with a population of 18,000,000, has 401 persons over 100 years of age. Of the 2,250,000 inhabitants of Servia, 575 have passed the century mark. It is said that the oldest living person is Bruno Cotrim, born in Africa, and now living in Rio de Janeiro. He is 150 years old. A coachman in Moscow has lived for 140 years.

Whistler and the Prince

It is said that the Royal Society of British Artists never had a charter until Whistler became president. On the occasion of the first visit of the Prince of Wales, Whistler was there to welcome him. "I never heard of this place, Mr. Whistler," said the Prince, "until you called my attention to it. What is its history?" "It has none, your Royal Highness," was the quiet rejoinder. "Its history dates from too day."

Nobody in England knows whether Whistler is an "art acrobat" or a "deformed genius." His house at Chelsea was the greatest curiosity. He furnished only one room besides his bedroom in the first two years of his stay, and none could tell whether it was from laziness or impecuniosity.

This Will Surprise You.

It is said that the roar of a lion can be heard farther than the sound made by any other living creature. Next comes the howl of a hyena, and then the hoot of the owl, the cry of the panther, and the yelp of the jackal. The donkey can be heard fifty times farther than the horse, and the cat ten times farther than the dog. Strange as it may seem, the cry of a hare can be heard farther than that of either the cat or the dog.

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The Duchess of Cornwall and York, during her brief stay at Malta, was highly amused and interested in the native Maltese milkmen. Cow milk is almost unobtainable on the island, and even if it were to be had, none but the British residents would buy it. The goat takes the place of the cow in Malta. As you stroll through the streets you hear a most vigorous bleating close at your side, a bleating that never came from the lungs of a goat. The driver, with head thrown back and uttering a long, loud sound, is rapidly tapping his windpipe. The result is a most realistic imitation of the bleating of the goat. That is the Maltese way of crying "Milk, ho!"

Your Maltese milkman does not trouble about cans and measures. His entire stock-in-trade is represented by that patient four-footed beast in the roadway. You give the milkman your jug or basin, and he thereupon milks the creature at your doorstep. No adulteration about that! It often takes an Englishman a long time to get used to goat milk, but when he does so there is the consolation that one is getting pure milk and not alleged milk as is too often the case in England.—English Illustrated Magazine.

Browning's Bulldog.

A new story of the poet Browning relates that at one time he had been given a pure blooded bulldog of a rare strain, of so fierce a disposition and so devoted to the poet's mother that it was unsafe for a stranger to shake hands with her in his presence. Browning himself was the only other person whom the dog would allow to touch him, but even when the poet was more familiar with his mother than the dog thought right he showed his teeth to him. They one day put him to a severe test. Browning putting his arm around his mother's neck as they sat side by side at the table. The dog went round behind them and, putting his feet upon the chair, lifted Browning's arm off her shoulder with his nose, giving an intimation that he would not permit any liberty of that kind even from him.

His Greatest Reward.

The death of Sir John Stainer removes one of the most fascinating personalities from the musical world. A story is told of how once he was walking with a friend by the seaside when he came upon a little group of children singing one of his hymns. "Ah!" he said as they listened to the young voices, "this is the greatest reward that I can ever hope for." The story recalls Sir Joshua Reynolds' famous mot on his great picture of Mrs. Siddons as the tragic muse. This picture is the only one which bears Sir Joshua's signature. "Madam," said the artist, "if my name should go down to posterity it must be on the hem of your garment."

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Items of Local Interest

The Toronto Star prints the following as a witticism: "The reason the original rat made his portage was probably because the water was just as rough there then as it seems to be now."

Mr. A. Locking, of Emo, one of the most prominent pioneers of Rainy River was in town for a few days this week.

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The Rainy River Teachers' Institute will be held in the Central School on Sept. 20th and 21st. An interesting program has been prepared.

Mr. E. R. VanKoughnet, who has been connected with the local branch of the Imperial bank for about two years, left on Sunday for Winnipeg, where he will be for a time stationed. "Van" has made a host of friends during his residence here who will regret to hear of his removal, but will rejoice to know that his departure means promotion. He was a very active member of the Rowing Club, and was a famous stroke for different fours.

St. George's Society will have a smoking concert tonight at Shaw's Hotel in honor of Champion Towns and party.

For want of a quorum the regular meeting of the town council was not held last night. Councillor Brydon used some forceful language when he found that he had journeyed to the hall for nothing. He claims to have grounds for the impression that the absent councillors have some mysterious scheme to put through or they would have been there. Funny deduction.

The campers' local has been discontinued for the season, and the campers have all returned to their homes after one of the most successful seasons in the history of Rat Portage.

Miss Lena Johnston, of Winnipeg, and Miss Emma Johnston, of Brandon, who spent last week in town, returned to the west on the campers' train on Monday.

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Not a Trace of Rheumatism Left After Using Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills.

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Notice to Creditors.

In the Matter of the Assignment for the Benefit of Creditors by the Rodgers Clothing Company of the Town of Rat Portage and Robert B. Rodgers of the same place.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Rodgers Clothing Company and Robert B. Rodgers of the Town of Rat Portage in the District of Rainy River, carrying on business as merchants at the said Town of Rat Portage, have made an assignment under R.S.O. 1897, Chap. 147 and amending Acts, of all their estate, credits and effects to me for the benefit of their creditors.

A meeting of their creditors will be held at my office in the said Town of Rat Portage, on **Wednesday, the 11th Day of September, 1901, at the hour of 3 o'clock in the afternoon.**

To receive a statement of affairs, to appoint inspectors, fix their remuneration ... for the ordering of the affairs of ... rally.

Creditors are requested ... claims with the Assignee, with ... ulars thereof required by ... before the day of such me...

And Notice is further ... the 11th day of September, A. D. 1901 ... will proceed to distribute the a... ors amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice shall then have been given, and th... will not be liable for the assets, or any ... so distributed to any person o... claim he shall not ... have ...

Dated at Rat Port... 1901.

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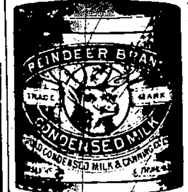

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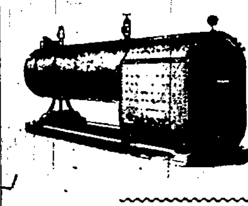

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Clem Bradley, of Winnipeg, who has been in town for the past week seeing the races, left for the west this morning.

The McVeigh-Holley skiff race for $100 a side, which was to have been rowed today, has been postponed until Saturday, as McVeigh is not satisfied with his condition.

A lumber jack wich a preponderance of muscle and a good sized jag made a great disturbance at the station this morning just before the arrival of No. 2. Chief Woods was called by Agent Gooding, but it took Constable John-

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Many Deaths Largely Due to Ignorance on the Part of Mothers.

The disorders of children seem to the rugged and hearty grown persons to be simple and not particularly dangerous.

This point of view on the part of parents has been the cause of the loss of baby lives.

You will always find that the mothers who are successful in bringing up families of hearty, happy children with scarcely a day's sickness, are always those who are careful to note the slightest evidence of illness and to check the difficulty at once.

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The King and Sir Thomas.

There's a good story going the rounds about the King and Sir Thomas Lipton. Of course it is an invention, but it is funny and the joke carries no sting. It is represented that the King, after he had distributed the medals to the South African soldiers, said something to Sir Thomas about the new orders which would come by and by to those whom he intended to honor, and "an order may come your way," said His Majesty, so the story goes, to Sir [illegible] "It shall be promptly attended to," is the alleged reply of the [illegible] merchant.—M. A. P.

Longfellow's Tribute to Burns.

I see amid the fields of Ayr,
A plowman, who is fond and fair,
Sings at his desk
So clear, we know not if it is
The laverock's song we hear or his,
Nor care to ask.

ing regard only to the claims of which notice shall then have been given, and that he will not be liable for the assets, or any part thereof, so distributed to any person or persons of whose claim he shall not then have had notice.

Dated at Rat Portage this 28th day of August, 1901.

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Lists can be seen on application to the undersigned, or at the office of Messrs. Boyce & Draper, Solicitors, Rat Portage.

Terms of Sale: Cash or its equivalent.

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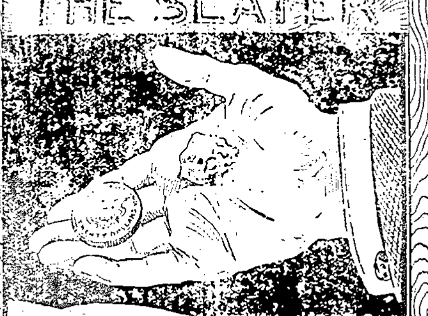

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THE ONTARIO CULLERS' ACT.

To all whom it may concern:

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Intending candidates should at once communicate with the Department of Crown Lands, Toronto, and forward the required fee of four dollars each.

It is not the intention to hold any further examinations this season, and candidates will please govern themselves accordingly.

Only British subjects and bona fide residents of Canada will be examined for Licenses.

AUBREY WHITE
Assistant Commissioner.

Department of Crown Lands,
Toronto, 7th August, 1901. 77

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